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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7401**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1307

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 5, 1999

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** State Disaster Relief Fund.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State & Local

STATE IMPACT	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
State Revenues			
State Expenditures		8,000,000	8,000,000
Net Increase (Decrease)		(8,000,000)	(8,000,000)

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill establishes the State Disaster Relief Fund as a nonreverting fund to provide grants to assist counties, cities, and towns in paying for costs resulting from disasters. The bill appropriates \$16,000,000 from the state General Fund to the State Disaster Relief Fund during the biennium beginning July 1, 1999. It provides that the State Emergency Management Agency administers the grant program. The bill provides that, except in the case of multiple disasters, a county, city, or town is eligible for a grant only if the damage caused to its public facilities exceeds an amount equal to one dollar multiplied by the population of the county, city, or town.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1999.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill creates the State Disaster Relief Fund to be administered by the State Emergency Management Agency. The bill appropriates \$8 million in each of the next two years to fund grants to eligible entities to pay for costs of damage to public facilities from a disaster. Money in the Fund is to be used for administering the Fund and any money left at the end of a fiscal year does not revert to the General Fund. The bill requires the Treasurer to invest money not needed to meet the obligations of the Fund and the interest that accrues from the investments to be deposited in the Fund.

The bill sets up the requirements for local entities to apply for grants from the State Disaster Relief Fund.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** See state expenditures.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** State Emergency Management Agency.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Cities, Counties.

**Information Sources:**